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In re U.S. Patent Application of:

Jens PETERSEN

Application No.: 09/938,670

Filing Date: August 27, 2001

Title: POLYACRYLAMIDE HYDROGEL  
AND ITS USE AS AN  
ENDOPROSTHESIS

Group Art Unit: 3738

Examiner: D. Isabella

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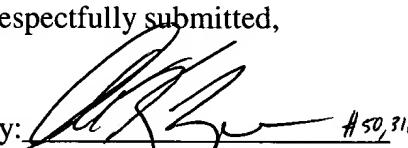
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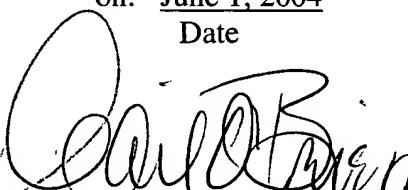
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